



VIKINGS OF THE SMOKIES

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Fra Presidenten,

The end of the year brings the annual Juletrefest on December 11th. This is always an enjoyable event - and Scandinavian traditions are prevalent. Decadent sugar and butter laden desserts, combined with visits from the Nisse, and St. Lucia are always a highlight at this family friendly event.

Linda Turmo is again organizing the silent auction for the Juletrefest - and this year, a portion of the proceeds will benefit Camp Masse Moro, a great opportunity for young adults to learn about their Norwegian heritage. I hope that you will consider providing silent auction items!

The Torsk & Meatball Dinner was a success and Seasons Cafe provided a wonderful venue. Takk to Darla Berdal and Bonnie Pederson for coordinating the event. While the dinner was primarily social, we did conduct a little Lodge business and the proposed slate of officers for 2017 was approved.



2017 Lodge Officers

Joleen Dewald	President
Darla Berdal	Vice President
Trygve Myhre	Treasurer
Jeannette Lively	Secretary
Joan Shrader	Cultural Co chair
Darla Berdal	Cultural Co Chair
Linda Turmo	Membership Chair
Clark Brekke	Sports Director
Elizabeth Myhre	Sunshine Chair

We are still looking for someone to step up as Social Director, while Darla Berdal has agreed to serve as Vice President in addition to co cultural chair.

Please consider serving the Lodge as a board member - if you are interested, contact me at info@tnvikings.org. We will be installing new officers at the January Lodge meeting.

Joleen

Make plans to attend the annual Sons of Norway

Juletrefest

Sunday, December 11th

Messiah Lutheran Church

6900 Kingston Pike in West Knoxville 4PM - 6PM

PLEASE REMEMBER TO RSVP

NO LATER THAN MONDAY DEC 7TH

BY CONTACTING BONNIE PEDERSON AT 865-748-8044 OR

INFO@TNVIKINGS.ORG



Smorgasbord

THIS IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE BRINGING ANY CHILDREN OR GRANDCHILDREN IN ORDER TO NOTIFY THE NISSE. THIS WILL ENSURE ALL "GOOD CHILDREN" RECEIVE A SMALL GIFT BAG DURING THE CELEBRATION THAT IS AGE AND GENDER APPROPRIATE.

If your last name begins with the following letter, you are asked to contribute the item below to the smorgasbord (enough to feed at least 6-8 people please!)

A-J: hot dish or vegetable

K-R: cold dish or salad

S-Z: dessert

The Lodge will provide the meat entrée, beverages and bread/rolls!

*Lefse: (pronounced "lef suh") A flat tortilla-like treat, with Norwegian roots (as most things are in the upper Midwest), served usually with butter and sugar on top.
Delicious*

Lefse for Sale

There will be a limited amount of lefse available for sale at the Juletrefest on Sunday, December 11th.

\$6 a bag, or 2 bags for \$10.

DON'T FORGET TO SAVE YOUR STAMPS FOR TUBFRIM!



The holidays are coming soon - so please remember to clip and save your postage stamps from your holiday greeting cards! Simply tear or clip canceled stamps from envelopes and drop them in the "stamp jar" on the sign-in table at any VOTS event.

**PLEASE LEAVE AT LEAST 1/4" BORDER AROUND STAMP.
Any questions - contact Clark Brekke at cjbrekke@gmail.com**

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• From the Treasurer •

• Our net income for the fiscal year-to-date is \$995. This compares to a \$778 for •
• the same period last year. The major source of income (68%) was from the •
• Taste of Scandinavia. The next largest source (31%) was from our share of •
• membership dues. Total expenses to date are \$528. The major expense (\$458) •
• was for the biannual District 5 Conference. •

• Our fiscal status is quite good, mainly due to the Taste of Scandinavia profit and •
• keeping the District 5 Conference costs at no more than \$1000 bi-annually. A •
• profit is expected from the juletrefest auction. •

• Respectively submitted •
• Trygve Myhre •

2017 Torsk & Meatball Dinner

Seasons Cafe in Turkey Creek again served as the venue for the 8th annual Vikings of the Smokies Torsk and Meatball supper.

A large group of Lodge members and their guests enjoyed the the smorgasbord meal, complete with fresh lefse and a variety of bakery items including almond cake provided by Elizabeth Myhre and krumkake from Dee Bumpers.

Thank you to Darla Berdal and Bonnie Pederson for organizing the wonderful event!



GOD JUL
MERRY CHRISTMAS

